

**Meeting Summary**  
**Economic Sustainability Committee Meeting**

Meeting of July 29, 2010, Antioch Maintenance Service Building

Meeting convened at 3:00 pm.

Committee Members present: Commissioners Albright, Eggman, Pegos, Piepho, Ruhstaller, and Vick.

Committee Members not present: Commissioners Ferguson and McGowan.

Commissioner Albright served as Chair for the meeting.

First, Bay Area Economics (BAE), the Economic Sustainability Study consulting team, presented an overview of the work scope and main objectives for the Economic Sustainability Framework Study. The consultants asked for initial input from the Committee to help guide and move them forward with the project.

BAE and Committee members discussed the project objectives, some of the study's key challenges, the framework and study approach, and some of the external and internal factors that will affect the economic state of the Delta.

The Committee and BAE focused on the key challenges and issues facing the Economic Sustainability Framework Study. Some key issues identified were: understanding the complexity of the Delta's natural and man-made environment, understanding the diversity of stakeholder interests within and outside the Delta, and inclusion of the Delta's diverse political makeup.

BAE asked the Committee for assistance in generating a regionally and economically balanced stakeholders' list. The Committee suggested some of the stakeholders should include: Delta marina owners, growers, county supervisors, fishermen, developers, Delta organizations and associations, town/community leaders, transportation and engineering firms, reclamation districts, and Delta hospitality/commerce owners.

In addition, BAE asked the Committee for input on some of the external and internal factors affecting the economic position of the Delta. The committee determined factors such as the BDCP water movement, the State Legislature, eco-restoration, recreation and housing development, climate change, levee maintenance, and population growth as a few factors for economic change.

**Public Input:**

Public comment and input was included throughout the meeting. Input included comments from Susanna Schlendorf from Assembly Member Joan Buchanan, Roberta Goulart of Contra Costa County, and Terry Dermody of San Joaquin County.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.